

Nonprofit Organization	Funding Source	Funding Level
Virginia Williams Family Resource Center (Family Central Intake) – operated by the Coalition for the Homeless	TANF block grant allocated by DHS, funding staff salaries	\$383,001.09
Total Prevention		\$383,001.09

Essential Services/Shelter Operations

Shelter Operations	Funding Source	Funding Level
Park Road Family Shelter, 1448 Park Rd NW	TANF and local funding, DHS Appropriation funding program costs	\$555,328.94
Spring Road Family Shelter, 1433/1435 Spring Rd. NW	TANF and local funding, DHS Appropriation funding program costs	\$607,913.00
New York Avenue Shelter, 1355 New York Ave. NE	Local funding DHS Appropriation funding program costs	\$547,500.00
Total Shelter Operations		\$1,410,741.94

Renovations and Rehabilitation

Site	Capacity	Funding Source	Funding Level
DC Village (maintenance)	68 families	DHS TANF Appropriations for staff salaries	\$719,863.30
LaCasa Shelter	100 men	Fair Market Rental Value	\$86,160.00
Blair Shelter	100 men	Fair Market Rental Value	\$90,415.00
Crummel School Trailers	144 men	Fair Market Rental Value	\$43,953.00
Federal City Shelter, CCNV, John Young Center	975 men and women	Fair Market Rental Value and DHS utility payments	\$558,000.00
MLK Trailers	108 men	DHS local appropriations for staff salaries	\$294,341.00
Total Renovations and Rehabilitation			\$897,032.69
Grand Total			\$1,792,642.30

4. ESG MONITORING

During fiscal year 2004, DHCD reviewed the A-133 report for FY 2003 issued by Thompson, Cobb, Basilio and Associates, independent auditors who audited the Community Partnership. DHCD concurred with corrective action plan issued by the Partnership.

The ODMCYFE monitors the activities of the Community Partnership by requiring extensive documentation for prevention and shelter operations activities. Renovation spending is monitored with assistance of the DHS Facilities Management Oversight Division which conducts site visits on behalf of the ODMCYFE.

CONTINUUM OF CARE AND SPECIAL NEEDS HOUSING

The Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) program supports the District's homeless Continuum of Care and the related objectives of the Consolidated Plan that provide for homeless and special needs populations. An overview of the District of Columbia's current homeless problems and the policy objectives for ending homelessness is provided in the discussion that follows of *Homeless No More*. Within this overall context, ESG funds will continue to support prevention efforts and facilities operating at the entry point of the Continuum of Care, in order to maintain and improve those facilities even while the District works to build the permanent affordable and supportive housing that will end homelessness over time.

The following discussion provides the context for understanding the District's larger, multiyear effort to abate and end homelessness.

Discussion

(Excerpted from "Homeless No More: A Strategy for Ending Homelessness in Washington, D.C. by 2014", the District's 10-year plan):

In 2002 and 2003 an estimated 16,000–17,500 people were homeless at some point during the year (annually). As many as 2,000 of these are "chronically homeless" persons who lived either in shelters or on the streets throughout the year. At the point-in-time enumeration undertaken on January 21, 2004 by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG), about 8,250 persons were counted by public and private programs within the Washington, D.C. homeless Continuum of Care. About 6,100 of these persons were *literally homeless* – i.e., on the streets, in shelters or in transitional facilities. Another 2,150 persons were counted in 2004 as *permanently supported homeless* who are living within permanent supportive housing. Although included in the overall count of "the homeless," homelessness has effectively ended for these persons in supportive housing but could easily re-occur without ongoing support.

Over the last ten years the District and many private agencies have created one of the largest homeless Continuum of Care systems in the nation both to relieve the immediate suffering of people without shelter and help them with obtaining and keeping permanent housing. There are currently enough public and private beds to shelter or house about 8,875 persons, enough to serve 1-in-13 of all District residents living in poverty. A HUD report to Congress showed that the District has a rate of homelessness and shelter usage among single adults in poverty higher than New York City or Philadelphia. Another HUD

report showed that the District's Continuum has more Continuum of Care beds per persons in poverty than other major cities such as Boston and San Francisco.

Table 26: Change in Publicly Supported Beds—1994-2004

	THE LAST TEN YEARS Publicly-supported beds			
	1994		2004	
	Beds	%	Beds	%
Emergency 12-24 Hr	3,331	75%	2,891	40%
Transitional	744	17%	1,808	25%
Permanent Supportive	381	9%	2,543	35%
TOTALS	4,457	100%	7,241*	100%
*increase of 62% in number of beds available				
Overnight 12-hr Shelter**				
"Low-barrier shelter"	1,144	26%	1,171	16%
** a subset of emergency shelter beds				

As displayed in the table above, the District's publicly supported homeless system has not only grown in size, adding about 2,800 new beds since 1994, but has become more diverse in its composition and now offers more beds and services focused on ending homelessness one person, one family at a time. Improvements to the Continuum have been ongoing. The 10-year plan includes strenuous new efforts to continue making the Continuum and its facilities get better along the entire Continuum from emergency shelters to permanent supportive housing.

On an annual basis District agencies spend over \$25 million on programs targeted to the homeless, HUD contributes another \$15 million in McKinney-Vento Act funding, philanthropies contribute more than \$5 million, and private donations and faith-based programs contribute millions more.

Despite these investments of knowledge, energy, resources and dollars, homelessness persists in the District and has increased by about 10% since 2002 including the addition of more permanent supportive housing that has become a larger component of the District's Continuum of Care. The problem at the emergency end of the Continuum, especially for families, has been exacerbated lately by the rising cost of rental housing and could get worse without an increase in the federal government's commitment to affordable housing. The D.C. Housing Authority has on its waiting list for Housing Choice Vouchers about 16,000 households who have claimed a homeless preference, a figure which indicates that over an extended period of time many households have faced a homeless crisis and,

although the vast majority of these households are not currently homeless, nevertheless their wait for a housing subsidy continues.³

To deal with such issues and to get beyond this recurring cycle of homelessness and seemingly endless allocation of substantial resources to ends far less than satisfactory, the Mayor of the District of Columbia is committing the DC government to build a neighborhood centered, mainstream funded, and housing focused system to end homelessness as we now know it within the next 10 years.

The District's 10-year plan to end homelessness rests on three centerpiece policies:

1. Increase homeless prevention efforts within local and federal government.
2. Develop and/or subsidize at least 6,000 units of affordable, supportive permanent housing to meet the needs of D.C.'s homeless and other very low-income persons at risk of homelessness.
3. Provide wraparound mainstream supportive services fully coordinated with Continuum of Care programs and special needs housing.

In short, the goals focus on 1) keeping as many people as possible from becoming homeless in the first place through direct prevention efforts and increasing the supply of affordable housing; and 2) enriching the homeless Continuum at all levels with supportive services that rapidly re-house persons with and without special needs. This refocuses the city's efforts over time from a "shelter first" to a "housing first" model that ends homelessness.

Within this general context ESG funds will continue to be used to support Policy Goal #1 to prevent homelessness and to maintain and improve the entry level of the Continuum of Care. Over the ten years of the Mayor's plan, the City plans to replace current emergency shelters with easy-access, rapid-exit "housing assistance centers" founded upon a new social contract. Those who can help themselves will take personal responsibility for their self-sufficiency and be helped to achieve this through on-site, mainstream case management, clinical, and employment services. ESG funds will be helpful in supporting both the operations and services of Housing Assistance Centers.

FY 2004 Continuum of Care

Utilization of McKinney-Vento Act "Continuum of Care" Funds

³ The 16,000 figure is almost three times the number of "literally homeless" who were counted on the street, in shelters and transitional housing in January 2004. The DCHA list is including households that were assigned a homeless preference sometime in the last several years. An important data collection task that lies ahead for this plan will be to look at which households on the DCHA list are *currently* homeless.

The FY 2004 Action Plan states that the District and Community Partnership will continue to seek McKinney-Vento Act “Continuum of Care” funds to maintain and build its system of care for homeless people. In FY 2004, the Community Partnership received \$12.9 million from its FY 2003 “Continuum of Care” application to HUD and in FY 2004 submitted an application for \$17.1 million in McKinney-Vento funds, most of that for renewals. The following project priorities chart is taken from the FY 2004 Continuum of Care application:

Table 27: Continuum of Care Project Priorities

2004 Continuum of Care: Project Priorities							
Applicant	Project Sponsor and Project Name	Numeric Priority	*Requested Project Amount	Term of Project (yrs.)	Program		
					SHP New	SHP renew	S+C renew
The Community Partnership	The Community Partnership/ Housing First Chronic Homeless Initiative #2	1	\$875,000	3	X		
The Community Partnership	US Vets/ DC Metro Permanent Housing	2	\$300,000	3	X		
The Community Partnership	Community Council for the Homeless at Friendship Place/ Friendship Permanent SHP	3	\$325,000	3	X		
The Community Partnership	The Community Partnership/ Dedicated HMIS Expansion	4	\$75,000	1	X		
The Community Partnership	The Community Partnership/ Housing First Chronic Homeless Initiative #1	5	\$266,084	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Catholic Charities Mulumba House	6	\$245,422	1		X	
The Community Partnership	DC Central Kitchen Employment Program	7	\$87,850	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Coalition for the Homeless/Blair TRP	8	\$204,748	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Coalition for the Homeless Employment	9	\$333,913	1		X	
Sasha Bruce Youthworks	Sasha Bruce Independent Living Program #1	10	\$67,628	1		X	
Sasha Bruce Youthworks	Sasha Bruce Independent Living Program #2	11	\$129,593	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Bright Beginnings/Day Care	12	\$175,219	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Christ House	13	\$899,866	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Neighbor's Consejo	14	\$149,203	1		X	
House of Ruth	House of Ruth Reunified Families	15	\$84,383	1		X	
The Community Partnership	New Endeavors by Women/New Expectations	16	\$210,119	1		X	
Transitional Housing Corp.	THC/Partner Arms 1	17	\$127,385	1		X	

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The Community Partnership	House of Ruth/New Beginnings (WIR)	18	\$134,835	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Calvary Women's Services/Transitional Program	19	\$142,306	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Green Door Permanent	20	\$144,758	1		X	
House of Ruth	House of Ruth Unity Inn #1	21	\$34,657	1		X	
House of Ruth	House of Ruth Unity Inn #2	22	\$79,929	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Latin American Youth Center/ Latino Transitional Housing Partnership	23	\$580,428	1		X	
So Others Might Eat	SOME/Maya Angelou & Harvest House	24	\$513,941	1		X	
The Community Partnership	New Hope Ministries Safe Haven	25	\$232,880	1		X	
House of Ruth	House of Ruth Kidspace #1	26	\$202,832	1		X	
The Community Partnership	House of Ruth Kidspace #2	27	\$83,511	1		X	
House of Ruth	House of Ruth Kidspace #3	28	\$204,916	1		X	
House of Ruth	House of Ruth Herspace	29	\$321,806	1		X	
Sasha Bruce Youthworks	Sasha Bruce Youthworks/ Olaiya's Cradle	30	\$189,058	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Miriam's House	31	\$141,214	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Rachael's Women's Center/ Permanent Housing	32	\$165,819	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Catholic Charities Tenant Empowerment Network	33	\$257,404	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Coates and Lane Foundation/ Supported Housing Program	34	\$346,324	1		X	
So Others Might Eat	SOME/ Mickey Leland Place	35	\$101,333	1		X	
House of Ruth	House of Ruth Madison Transitional	36	\$144,083	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Community Family Life Services/ Brandywine Apts	37	\$196,569	1		X	
Catholic Charities	Catholic Charities/St. Martin's House	38	\$168,641	1		X	
The Community Partnership	THC/ Partner Arms II	39	\$154,483	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Unity Health Care @ Federal City Shelter/CCNV	40	\$190,522	1		X	
Community Family Life Services	CFLS/ Family Support Collaborative	41	\$364,761	1		X	

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					SHP New	SHP renew	S+C renew
The Community Partnership	Community Connections/Girard Street	42	\$121,728	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Catholic Charities Mt. Carmel House	43	\$189,000	1		X	
So Others Might Eat	SOME/Exodus House	44	\$323,673	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Gospel Rescue Ministries	45	\$100,905	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Community Connections G Street/HIV	46	\$132,300	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Community Connections Trauma	47	\$109,725	1		X	
Coalition for the Homeless	Coalition for the Homeless/Spring Road	48	\$171,453	1		X	
The Community Partnership	JHP, Inc. (formerly Jobs for Homeless People)	49	\$141,957	1		X	
Families Forward	Families Forward 1	50	\$229,046	1		X	
Community Family Life Services	Community Family Life Services Trinity Arms	51	\$140,205	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Woodley House/ Holly House	52	\$86,003	1		X	
Families Forward	Families Forward 2	53	\$201,224	1		X	
Community Connections	Community Connections – TLC	54	\$106,864	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Community Family Life Services/ Family Reunification	55	\$176,226	1		X	
Salvation Army	Salvation Army/Harbor Light Treatment Center	56	\$475,935	1		X	
Hannah House	Hannah House THEIRS Reunification	57	\$148,115	1		X	
Community Connections	Community Connections Training Apts	58	\$98,175	1		X	
Coalition for the Homeless	Coalition for the Homeless/HELP Project	59	\$113,825	1		X	
Families Forward	Families Forward 3	60	\$191,160	1		X	
The Community Partnership	Access Housing Chesapeake House	61	\$293,914	1		X	
Office of Research & Analysis	TCP/ 1993 SRA Renewal	62	\$1,916,976	1			X
Office of Research & Analysis	TCP/ 1993 TRA Renewal	63	\$487,668	1			X

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					SHP New	SHP renew	S+C renew
Office of Research & Analysis	TCP/ 2003 SRA Renewal	64	\$686,184	1			X
Office of Research & Analysis	TCP/ 2003 TRA Renewal	65	\$282,024	1			X
DC Department of Health	Agency for HIV/AIDS/ S+C Renewal SRA with Community Connections	66	\$330,964	1			X
DC Department of Health	Agency for HIV/AIDS/ S+C Renewal TRA with Community Connections	67	\$188,928	1			X
Total Requested Amount:			\$17,097,600				

- Special Needs Housing:**

In addition, DHCD funds contributed to the following special needs housing programs for homeless families and disabled homeless adults (status of each noted in chart).

Table 28: Continuum of Care Special Needs Housing

Name	Sponsor	Address	Unit Count	Funding Sources	Status
Hope Apartments	Community of Hope	3715 2 nd Street, SE	13 units	HUD DHCD DCHFA Cornerstone	Awaiting completion of DHCD underwriting.
Independence Place	SOME	2800 "N" Street, SE	21 units	DHCD DCHFA AHP	Under construction.
Good Hope House	Bethany, Inc.	1715 "V" Street, SE	7 units	DHCD/HOME HUD/SHP	Open for business.
Rachel's Women's Center	Rachel's Women's Center	Dupont Circle, Florida Ave NE	17 units	HUD	Open for business.
Scattered Sites	Green Door	6411 Piney Branch Road, NW 3471-14 th St, NW, 2721 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE	8 units 4 units 6 units	DHCD HUD/SHP	Open for business.
Diane's House	Diane's House of Ministry		8 units	DHCD	Awaiting completion of DHCD underwriting.

Name	Sponsor	Address	Unit Count	Funding Sources	Status
A New Day Transitional Housing	Johanning Temple of Praise/Way of the Word		12 units	DGCD	Awaiting completion of DHCD underwriting.
Graceview Apartments	House of Help, City of Hope		38 Units		Awaiting completion of DHCD underwriting.
Agape Apartments	RIGHT, Inc.		11 units	DHCD HUD/SHP	Under construction.
Totals			145 units		